Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota Office of the Governor

Whereas, On July 26, 1990, President George H. W. Bush signed into law the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) to assure the civil rights of people with disabilities; and,

Whereas, This legislation established a clear and comprehensive national mandate for the elimination of discrimination against individuals with disabilities; and,

Whereas, The ADA has expanded opportunities for Americans with disabilities by reducing barriers, changing perceptions, and increasing full participation in community life; and,

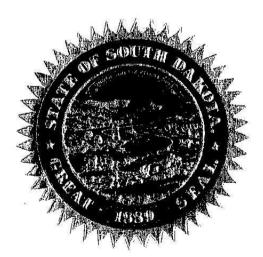
Whereas, The full promise of the ADA will only be reached if individuals and communities remain committed in their efforts to fully implement the ADA; and,

Whereas, On the 20th Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act, we celebrate and recognize the progress that has been made under the ADA:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 26, 2010, as

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT DAY

in South Dakota, and I encourage all citizens to work together with others across our state to promote equality of opportunity, full participation, and economic self-sufficiency for all people.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-fifth Day of June in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris-Nelson, Secretary of State